(c) Interest Penalties—Interest shall be collected for late payment on the full amount of the monthly invoices. Interest and penalties imposed for failure to pay refuse disposal charges, which are included on the tax bill, shall be applied in the same manner and to the same extent as are other tax penalties. Interest for monthly invoices or for charges on the tax bills shall be at the same interest rate as then in effect for late payment of real property taxes.

## 87-28. Default in Payment.

Upon default in the payment of any refuse disposal charges the following shall take place:

- (a) Default in payment of refuse disposal charges within fifteen (15) days of the date of monthly invoices rendered by the County, shall result in having the posted collateral applied against the amount due and in the immediate suspension of the privilege of utilizing the County refuse disposal facilities by all vehicles of the person, company or agency in default of payment until such time as full payment including interest penalties have been received and all or any portion of the collateral used to satisfy the outstanding obligation has been redeposited with the Director of Finance.
- (b) For default in payment by any property owner billed for refuse disposal on his tax bill, the property against which such charges have been made shall be sold at tax sale in the same manner as real property is sold for non-payment of taxes.

## 87-29. Refunds.

No refunds shall be made except for refuse disposal charges billed and collected as part of the tax bill as herein provided below or for mistake in computation of charges due. A property owner shall pay the property tax bill, which includes refuse disposal charges, in full, for the period billed. Refunds of refuse disposal charges will not be made, except upon application of the property owner, where the property is to be unoccupied for at least sixty (60) consecutive days and no refuse is generated from the property for such a period, and said property owner has given prior written notification to the County seven (7) days prior to the absence. Such notification shall be made a part of a request for a refund of refuse collection service charge and shall indicate the dates for which refuse collection and disposal services will not be required. Refunds may not be made for shorter periods or without prior written notification. Refunds will be pro-rated.

SEC. 4. The Council hereby declares that an emergency exists and that this legislation is necessary for the immediate protection of public health and safety. Therefore, this Act shall take effect on the date on which it becomes law.

Effective: June 29, 1971